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you agree with that, Senator Chambers? Just pass this baby over until you two get together and then we'll come and then when you've got things like you've wanted them, we'll come back to it. Any objections to that, Anybody? All right, it's so ordered. Now go to the next motion.

CLERK: Mr. President, I move to return LB782 to Select File for specific amendment to strike the enacting clause. Signed, Senator Kime.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kime.

SENATOR KIME: Well, Mr. President, this is Senator Fellman's bill and Senator Fellman isn't here. I think we should probably lay it over and do courtesy to Senator Fellman.

PRESIDENT: Any objection to laying this over in courtesy to Senator Fellman since he's the principal introducer? Hearing none, so ordered. What's the next motion?

CLERK: LB1082. I move to return LB1082 to Select File for specific amendment. And the specific amendment is add 18 new sections to LB1028 which is really LB326.

PRESIDENT: Whose motion is that?

CLERK: Signed Senator Waldron.

PRESIDENT: Senator Waldron.

SENATOR WALDRON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I'd like to add these amendments to LB1028. "To further define and re-codify our anti-trust and anti-monopoly laws."

(End of Belt #1)

(Begin Belt #2)

This is basically, these amendments are basically come from LB326 which were studied two years ago and which were introduced last year in the session. This will not disturb any part of LB1028, Senator Carpenter, and so...this does have the concurrence of Senator Murphy, I believe, and he's handed out the sheet. It defines unfair competition among commerce. It defines restraint of trade. It defines monopoly. It defines what price-fixing is and it exempts, of course, unions, the laboring man and it gives the Attorney General the power...more power, actually, in the area of anti-trust and anti-monopoly. And it has had a lot of study. This basic law has been in effect in the State of Washington for a number of years and it does work. It does not have any of the provisions that raise so much of the controversy with LB1028 initially. So we won't get back into that controversy. It does not take any of the provisions out of LB1028 as it now stands. It adds to it. It re-codifies basically our present law. The only objection we had to it when we had a hearing on it last year was that it did not repeal some of the old sections of the statutes. So we took care of that provision and I don't think we have much opposition and I would like Senator Murphy to say a few words.

PRESIDENT: Senator Murphy.